- i, adversely affeot the economic interests of consumers in the United Kingdom, and
- ii. if so, whether they do so because or partly because they have (or are likely to have) one or more of the effects specified in Section 17 of the Fair Trading Act 1973.
- 2. The consumer trade practices covered by the Director's reference are:
 - i, the display of notices in shops and the provision to consumers of written communications which purport to exclude or restrict those basic rights which the consumer has against the supplier and which have been made inalienable by the Supply of Goods (Implied Terms) Act 1973; and
 - ii. the use of wording in documents which explains the terms on which goods are or are sought to be supplied but which fails to make clear to the consumer the existence of his basic rights against the supplier which have been made inalienable by the Supply of Goods (Implied Terms) Act 1973.
- 3. The reference, under Part II of the Fair Trading Act 1973, was made on 24th April 1974.
- 4. The Consumer Protection Advisory Committee are to consider the reference and to submit their conclusions in a report to the Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection.
- 5. The Fair Trading Act provides that, in carrying out an investigation to which Section 17 of the Act applies, the Consumer Protection Advisory Committee must take into account representations from persons or bodies who appear to the Committee to have a substantial interest in the subject-matter of the reference or who appear to them to represent substantial numbers of persons who do.
- 6. The Consumer Protection Advisory Committee hereby mvite written representations from persons or bodies claiming such an interest in the reference.
- 7. Representations for consideration of the Committee must tach the Secretaries not later than Friday, 17th May 1974, at the following address:

The Secretaries, Consumer Protection Advisory Committee, Room 512, 1 Victoria Street,

- London, SW1H 0ET.
- 8. Written representations should clearly state the interest claimed in the subject-matter of the reference.
- 9. The full text of the Director General of Fair Trading's reference is being published in the London Gazette dated 25th April 1974 and the Belfast and Edinburgh Gazettes dated 26th April 1974.
- 10. A dossier has been prepared by the Office of Fair Trading to accompany the reference. It explains how the practices are carried on and how they are claimed to affect consumers. It also sets out the Director General of Fair Trading's proposals for changing the law so as to protect consumers with respect to the practices concerned.
- Il. Cepies of the dossier are on deposit at the Office of Fair Trading in London and Edinburgh at the Ministry of Commerce in Belfast and at Regional Offices of the Department of Industry, where they may be inspected during normal business hours.

M. B. CASEY, P. SHACKLEFORD,

Secretaries.

26th April 1974.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES FOR SCOTLAND

THE IMPORTED FOOD (SCOTLAND)
REGULATIONS 1968/1973

BELGIUM: OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE

THE Secretary of State for Scotland gives notice that in exercise of the powers conferred on him by the Imported Food Sotland) Regulations 1968/1973 he hereby recognises the Official Certificate of the design shown in the First Schedule showing

(i) that the poultry meat to which it relates was derived from poultry inspected before and after death in the country of origin of the poultry meat and passed in State; and

(ii) that the dressing, packing and other preparation of the poultry meat was carried out with all necessary precautions for the prevention of danger to health.

Recognition of the Official Certificate is restricted to the extent shown in the Second Schedule.

FIRST SCHEDULE

For packed carcases and parts of carcases a mark in one of the forms set out below.





For offal not contained in the carcase a mark in one of the forms set out below.



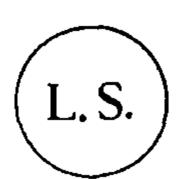


The marks will be completed by the insertion in the centre of the number of the establishment.

SECOND SCHEDULE

To Certificates completed by the insertion of one of the following establishment numbers:—

E.1.003,	E.1.004,	E.1.046,	E.1.050,	E.1.060,	E.1.061,
			E.1.098,	•	
		_	E.2.039,	-	•
	-	_	E.3.003,	•	-
	_	-	E.4.010,		
	E.6.001,			•	-



Given under the Seal of the Secretary of State for Scotland this 19th day of April 1974.

L. P. Hamilton, Assistant Secretary.

Department of Agriculture and Fisheries for Scotland, Chesser House, 500 Gorgie Road, Edinburgh, EH11 3AW.

Note: —Imports of uncooked poultry meat from certain countries are restricted, and in some cases prohibited, on animal health grounds by the Poultry Carcases Landing Order, 1971. The recognition of an Official Certificate for public health purposes does not give exemption from such restrictions or prohibitions.